**DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)****Title of
Invention****Combination of FBPASE Inhibitors and Insulin Sensitizers for the Treatment of
Diabetes**

As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

- ☐ The attached application, or
- ☒ Application No. 10/780,948, filed on February 17, 2004,
- ☒ as amended on February 17, 2004 (if applicable);

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

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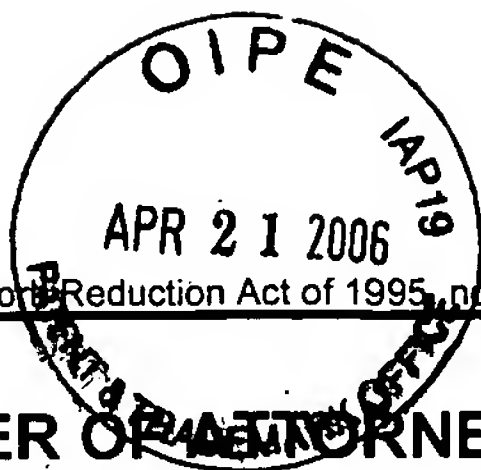
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Filing Date	February 17, 2004
First Named Inventor	Mark D. Erion
Title	Combination of FB Pase Inhibitors ..
Art Unit	1614
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Attorney Docket Number	MET-016XDT

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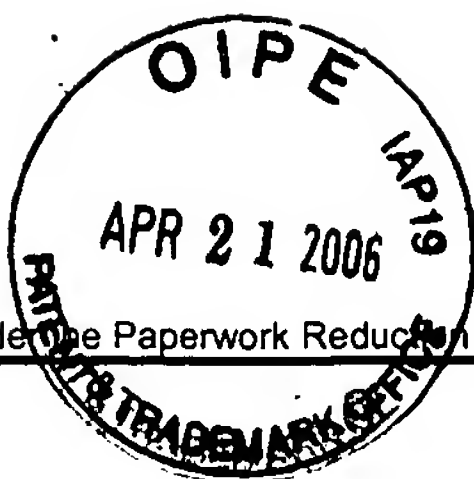
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: Mark D. Erion, Paul D. van Poelje

Application No./Patent No./Control No.: 10/780,948 Filed/Issue Date: February 17, 2004

Entitled: Combination of FBPase Inhibitors and Insulin Sensitizers for the Treatment of Diabetes

Metabasis Therapeutics, Inc.

(Name of Assignee)

a corporation

(Type of Assignee: corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

1. ☒ the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
2. ☐ an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest
(The extent (by percentage) of its ownership interest is _____ %)

in the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of either:

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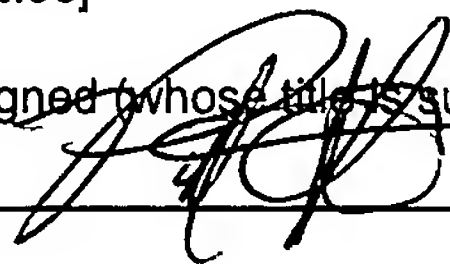
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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.


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Paul Laikind, Ph.D.

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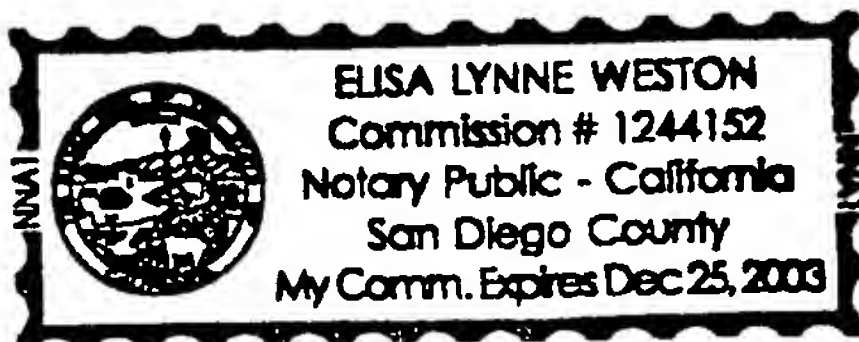
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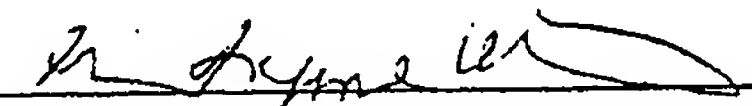
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